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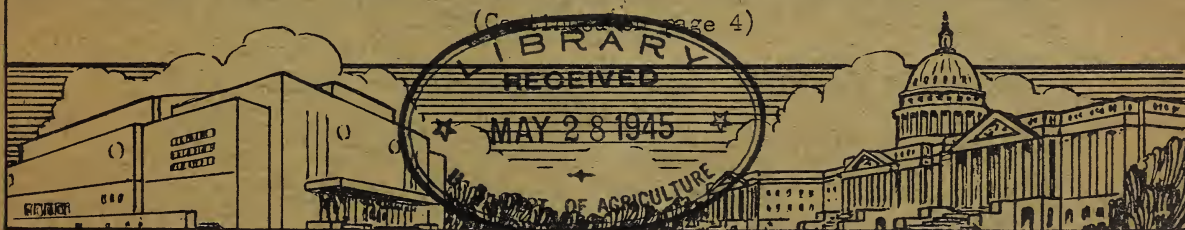
## NEWS FROM OUR FIGHTING MEN AND WOMEN

Harold D. Walker. (Formerly of Camp Callan, California.) I'm now on the way to Fort Davis, N.C., to see if I can be converted into an army officer. Although my background has been of a clerical nature, I hope that I'll be "malleable" enough to make it; that is, to take all the pounding without cracking...At Callan they sent us through an Officer Candidate Prep. Course, which included 30 hours of math., 15 of electricity, and 15 of gunnery. I passed all of the examinations...They say that the military part of life counts about 70 percent at Davis. Though I haven't much experience yet drilling men, I believe I'll be able to do that with practice. Of course, I'll make plenty of mistakes, but the main thing seems to be to yell loud. So I'll try to be loud. Among our group at Callan, it seemed that the school teachers were best at drilling the men and the military side. The accountants seemed to do better than the average at new subjects, such as electricity. As for lawyers - our sergeant said, "They are the most confused people in the world." The trouble most of us have is that we don't realize we have to do things the "army" way - no matter if it seems right or not.

Lieut. Julius H. Porter. (c/o Postmaster, New York City.) I have made that little yacht trip I referred to in my last letter and it was not such a bad trip either. There isn't a great deal I can tell you about my new home. We are in the tropics and have all of the things that are associated therewith such as fruit, jungles, rains, and heat. I was very much surprised at the heat. I imagine it is worse in K.C. than here. The sun is very hot but there is usually a good breeze and it is real comfortable in the shade. It is not at all unusual to sleep under a blanket at night either.

Walter P. Kowalski (San Antonio, Tex.) 'Tis Sunday evening here and after a hard day playing ping-pong, running around the track, reading the Sunday comics, and watching a baseball game, I still have enough energy to write a letter. I'm stationed at the Aviation Cadet Center. Here we go through various examinations (mental, physical, etc.)

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## INTRODUCING JUDGE GOODWYN

Judge Robert Tyler Goodwyn, whose home is near Montgomery, Alabama, is probably the oldest in years and in service in the Farm Credit System of anyone in the central office. He was Registrar and Attorney in organizing the Federal Land Bank of New Orleans on March 8, 1917, and served it for nearly 5 years. He was an elected director in the New Orleans district from 1923 until April 1941 when he resigned to undertake, at Governor Black's invitation, the preparation of a documentary history of the Farm Loan System.

Judge Goodwyn has 3 sons in the service; one a Lt. Colonel of infantry, one a Major of engineers, and one a Naval Lieutenant. He has also 6 nephews and 2 grandsons in the service: a Colonel of infantry, a Lieutenant of Marines, a Captain of infantry, a Captain and a Lieutenant in the Air Corps, a Lieutenant of Artillery, a Naval flying cadet, and an infantry private. Judge Goodwyn and his charming wife reside here at the President Hotel.

## NEW RECRUIT FOR WAVES

Elizabeth Ann Egy left Kansas City April 17 to go to Hunter College for her basic training for service as a WAVE. She was the messenger in the library. (LA)

## FCA SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN



## New FCA Employees to Service:

Wilkinson, Margaret W.	McBride, Mary G.
Mellott, Nellie M.	Young, Thomas L.
Swantz, Alexander	Kane, William T.
Mattern, Albert J.	Lake, Horace A.

TOTAL - 150

## Strictly Personal



Central Office Accounting. Jennie Ash spent a 2-week vacation in Washington..... Sarah Schneider visited her mother in Washington.....Clarice Andrews spent the Easter holidays with her parents in Howard, Kansas.....At a cocktail party given by Mary Hart, Lucille Bateman, and Dorothy Martin, Mary announced her marriage on April 2 to Corporal Stanley R. Rossman, who is attending radio school here..... Lucille Bateman has gone to New York City to join her husband who is in the U. S. Maritime Service.....Earl Clarke, formerly of the Reports Section, is now working in Payroll.....Margaret Ellefson spent her vacation at her home in Garreston, S. D.

Stenographic Section. Gertrude Spear recently spent several days at her home in Leoti, Kansas.....Two newcomers are Betty Spivey and Loraine Neugebauer, both of K.C.....Jessie Maddux enjoyed a visit with her mother from Enid, Oklahoma.....Faye



Hanley has returned from a trip to her home in Paris, Mo., and Washington, New York, and St. Louis.....Imogene Caldwell transferred to Fayetteville, Ark., to work for CAA.....Marjorie Freel spent a 2-week vacation in Chicago and La Fayette.....Kathryn Champe is on an extended vacation. Flora Leach spent a 2-week vacation with her folks in Neosho, Mo.

General Files. Letters have been received from Walter Kowalski, who is in Texas, and Wayne Clark, who is in North Africa.....Arthur Barnes, who is stationed at Patterson Field, Ohio, dropped in to see us recently.....Aviation Cadet Bill Edmonds of Lehman Field, La., spent Easter with his mother.....Kenneth Pence and Lee Orr drove to Iowa to spend Easter with their folks. Ruth Polson spent Easter at her home, Carthage, Mo.....Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buck and Judy spent Easter in St. Joseph, Mo.....Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Lagergren spent the week end at her home, Orrick, Mo.....Did you hear Miss Connor's radio talk Easter Sunday about the Credit Union? Her voice was so clear we vote her for a good announcer.

Cooperative. Bob Steffey is in the Army Air Corps at Jefferson Barracks....Lucille Contor has joined her sailor-husband who is stationed in Philadelphia.....Helen Moritz spent the Easter vacation at Junction City and Topeka, Kansas.....Mildred Wilkes spent Easter at her home.

Finance & Accounts. John B. Muller, Jr., Mrs. Muller, and Elma drove to Fort Des Moines, Ia., to attend the graduation exercises of their daughter, Gladys, who is a Third Officer in the WAAC's.....Opal Adams took a few days off to visit her brother who was home on furlough.....Verna Brewer spent the Easter week end at her sister's home in Nevada, Mo.....Mabel Kluttz went home to Clinton, Mo., over the Easter week end.....Al Katz left for Ft. Leavenworth to begin his military career. Frank Kearney left for Washington, D.C.

Solicitor's Office. Marion R. Gerstang,

Lynn, Mo., is the new face in Short-Term Credit.....Kenneth Wallace resigned and is now in Lawrence, Kansas.....Pauline Taylor transferred to her home town of Dallas, Tex.....Gertrude Albrecht took a pre-nuptial flight to Washington, D.C.....Carol Schoonmaker is settled in Philadelphia and reports all is well.....Sallie Bryant entertained her niece and her husband who were passing through.

Property and Supply. W. G. Leyton has resigned and gone to Washington.....Glen R. Greenfield decided he could further the war effort at the Pratt & Whitney plant, so he is now a night owl.....Jack Clayton reports that Washington is not what it used to be.....Tom Sullivan has heard from his son in the South Pacific, recently, also from his other son at Camp Waldron, Farra-gut, Idaho.

Land Bank. Susie Murrell waved good-bye to her lieutenant who is headed for overseas duty, but will remember him by the newly acquired adornment on her left hand. Lt. Arthur C. Bayless at Camp Ritchie, Md., would like to hear the latest news from his FCA friends.....Our sympathy to Letus Wallace on the recent death of his father in California.....Lila Stefan spent a week in Omaha recently.

Production Credit. The John Reeds have a new daughter, Lois Eileen, born May 1.....Madeline Brockman attended the wedding of her sister at Junction City, Kans.....Mrs. Anne G. Dial has been detailed to this division and is acting as secretary to Mr. Esgate during the extended furlough of Mae Reed.

Chief Clerk's Office. Doris Eyth spent Mother's Day at her home in Topeka, Kans...Maxine Lehman spent a few days at her home in Halstead, Kans. She reports a vigorous growth of Victory gardens.

Examination. Private "Chuck" Nelson was looking fine when he visited us while home on furlough from San Luis Obispo, Calif.... Rosella Reiff has transferred to the

Central EC.....Dorothy Wilson's husband stationed at the Army Air base in Des Moines has received his silver solo wings. B. J. Barrett left recently for Berkeley, Calif., where he will be stationed in examination work.....Word has been received of the death of E. J. Irwin's son in an army plane crash in North Africa. Our deepest sympathy goes to Examiner Irwin and his family.....Nina Morrow left for her home in Dallas following receipt of word that her father had died. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Nina.

Personnel. Vivian Gustafson and Mildred Peterson spent Easter week end in St. Joseph, Mo., while Martha Tucker visited with her parents in Bedford, Ia.....Lois Ensign returned from a week's leave only long enough to resign and be married. She is now the bride of Lt. John Lee and living in Shreveport, La.....Hildred Boatright and her husband have returned from a trip to the Ozarks.....Julia Norton is a new member of the Personnel Division.....Corrine Matter has been detailed from Mr. Light's Section.....Lena Sanders is spending a 2-week vacation in Holland, Mich., and while there will attend the Tulip Festival.....Marie Zinn and Leona Holland are vacationing in the West, especially Los Angeles where they are visiting an army friend.....Virginia Murrell is vacationing in Newport News, Va.

Land Bank. Edna Woods is vacationing in Washington, New York, and points east..... Though Louise Shear has been married a year, she was guest of honor at a shower on a recent trip home.....J. E. McJenkin trotted down from RACC to show us his commission in the U.S. Navy as Lieutenant (J.G.).....It's now CORPORAL Gertrude Grove (congratulations!) and she's been appointed to the Air Corps.....We heard from Evelyn Clementson up Minnesota way where she is teaching school until the anticipated wedding day on June 11..... Despite h - and high water, Alice Arrow-smith is visiting her home in Lebanon, Mo. Roy Peterman says that, even for fishing,

there was too much rain near Rich Hill, Mo., where he spent a few days recently.

#### OUR WASHINGTON REPORTER

Big things are doing in Washington these days - so our K.C. visitors are too numerous to mention. We had a nice V-mail Easter Greeting from Corpl. Rudolph Niederle (late but welcome) somewhere in England.

Lt. (J.G.) Gordon Leith recently "went overboard" into the sea of matrimony. Mr. A. W. McKay has returned to D. C. after 6 months in the field...CR&S has 2 new additions to its staff, Mr. Donald E. Hirsch, formerly of CPA, and Mrs. Alice Betzina, formerly with Personnel Files in K.C.

Bill and Janet Snyder are settled down in their own home again. Bill tells me that he has seen Carl Schwartz, Bob Ferguson, and Bob King since he has been back. Your Washington Reporter took a few days off to visit "Ye Olde Home Towne of Carlisle, Penna."

#### NEWS FROM OUR FIGHTING MEN & WOMEN (Continued from page 1)

which determine whether we fly or get G.D.O.'d (Ground Duty Only). And if we fly, what we're best suited for, pilot, navigator, or bombardier. After 4 weeks, they decided to classify me as pilot. Now I have to wait another 4 weeks before I'm sent to preflight school....While waiting to be sent to preflight school, I'm taking it easy....I'm permanent Cadet Sergeant of the Guard. I work 1 1/2 days and am off the same amount of time. My job is to teach cadets the manual of arms, and instruct them in their duties as sentinels.

Lt. Col. P. O. Sigler. (Ft. Belvoir, Va.) I certainly was glad to receive the 2 issues of the "Grapevine." It solves a lazy man's problem - how to write to hundreds of people with a minimum of effort.



.....Not much news here but we manage to keep busy. Just had my first book, "Sycee Silver," published by the American Numismatic Society which will, I hope, illustrate the fact that as a lawyer I am a good numismatist. The announcement of the coming Hobby Show sent chills up my spine when I realized that I do not have time to pack, label, and ship my collection of Indian spearheads, knives, scrapers, etc., made locally without the benefit of labor unions or WPA projects - to say nothing of my odd money collection.

John C. Jeffers (Newport, R.I.) The "Grapevine" tells me of your activities but, what is more, it gives me a slight hint as to the trend of the times in the daily lives of FCA employees. If anyone feels that they are not important at home, they ought to see the faces of service men when they read about home activities. In the last analysis, nothing is nonessential as it all goes toward a background for our job. In this school for petty officers, we have a schedule which runs from 5 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Movies on the lookout (it is a science), abandon ship, instruments, types of ships, and signalling together with a study of the ceremonial honors, rules of the road, and weather forecasting keep us busy.

Emma Ree Hubbs. (WAAC, Camp Upton, L.I., New York) Drill and mess are 2 calls that every WACC loves to hear - drill to take off weight and mess to put it on.....Inspections! Now that is another story.... One of the hardest things for me to do is to keep my eyes straight ahead while being inspected.....We scrub everything we can see and lots of things we can't see on the night before inspection and then we do it all over the next morning just in case we missed anything.....Most soldiers make quite a fuss about "shots." Frankly, I think it is merely the good old G-I gripe. Immediately after I had my first set of shots I marched into our day room, climbed a ladder, and started washing walls for all I was worth. We

won regimental inspection the next day.

Stanley O'Donnell (Ft. Myer, Va.) I am now an M.P. located at Ft. Myer, Va. It is a tough outfit but I am getting good training, lost 20 pounds. I received some FCA bulletins....It was good to receive news about my old friends. Regards to all.

#### AN HOUR OF RECORDED MUSIC

Starting Thursday, May 27, employees may eat their lunches in room 2941 while listening to the playing of selected compositions from the Farm Credit Club's record library. Drop in any time between 12:15 and 1:15 any Thursday and relax to the music of the masters from Beethoven to Berlin.

"The man that hath no music in himself,  
Nor is not moved with concord of sweet  
sounds,

Is fit for treason, stratagems, and  
spoils;

The motions of his spirit are dull as  
night,

And his affections dark as Erebus.

Let no such man be trusted." (PLR - Au-  
thor of the prose, not the poetry)

#### SOLDIERS PROMOTED

Major Harry H. Hendricks has been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and is now in the office of the Chief of Finance, War Department, Washington, D.C.

Clarence H. Kongs has finished his initial training in the air force at Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and is now a full-fledged candidate awaiting assignment to another training location. (JMM)

Ed. Note: Louis Griffin is now a sergeant. Lt. Ed Waterman passed through Kansas City recently on his way from Ft. Sill, Okla., to Camp Ord, Calif. The Club Christmas gift he received was used to buy the gold bars he needed when he was promoted from Corporal to Lieutenant.

BUY WAR BONDS

## RE SOLDIERS' EDITION

The "Grapevine" has received a letter from M. H. Uelsmann, of the Intermediate Credit Division.

"Permit me to congratulate and commend you and your staff on the excellent job you did on the May 5 issue of the 'Grapevine.'"

"The feature: 'Roundup on the FCA Family' was at once extremely interesting and quite disappointing. A careful review shows the Intermediate Credit Division to be conspicuous by its absence. Now, two things are unpardonable in a roundup. One is permitting a livestock operator to run his cattle or sheep around the hill so that they are tallied more than once. The other is to fail to get a count on all the livestock in all the pastures.

"The following were not mavericks or dogies, but long wore the FCA brand and were proud of it: Lacey F. Rickey remained in Washington with CR&S; Miss Elmore Johnson resigned to become Mrs. (Captain) Wm. J. White, now in Detroit; Mrs. May E. Nader and Mrs. Ann. S. Courtney transferred to WPB; and Miss Elberta (Hoosier) Egnew transferred to the Post Office Department.

"How about a correction recognizing these faithful members of the family?"

(The Intermediate Credit roundup item accidentally got lost. We're glad it did, because this roundup is better than the original. Ed.)

### ARE YOU A MEMBER?

Yes sir - a net total of 75 new members have climbed aboard the credit union bandwagon in the last 3 months. They realize that the season is here to "go places" and that either by savings or a loan through their credit union, ready cash will be available to them. But even if one stays home, Uncle Sam says income tax will be due again June 15 - and does that take money? BE PREPARED is a good slogan, so why not join the FCA Employees Federal Credit Union today? (LP)

## VACATION SERVICE

The rolling hills of the Ozarks, its rivers and lakes, and other points near Kansas City offer a variety of facilities for play, rest, sports, and recreation.

One of the resorts on the Lake of the Ozarks, the Shepherd of the Hills Country, or some other place "near home" will be the answer to this year's vacation problem.

Information on hotels and resorts, easy to reach by rail, bus, or by "A" card holders, may be obtained from Zelina Ahern, Chairman, Vacation Information Subcommittee, room 1411, extension 216.

### NEW BOOKS IN CLUB LIBRARY

Dress Rehearsal by Quentin Reynolds  
Mr. Fortune Finds a Pig by H. C. Bailey  
The Chinese Shawl by Patricia Wenworth  
Having Wonderful Crime by Craig Rice  
One World by Wendell Willkie  
South from Yesterday by Williard Robertson  
Gideon Planish by Sinclair Lewis  
Another Claudia by Rose Franken  
The Fifth Seal by Mark Aldanov  
Death Takes a Bow by Frances and Richard Lockridge

### "WAGS" MEET "ORATORS"

At the May 7 dinner meeting of the Farm Credit Club "WAGS," their colleagues from the FCA Men's Speakers Club were special guests. The 50 "WAGS," "Orators," and friends present enjoyed a dinner in the YWCA banquet room, group singing led by Margaret Demaree, and a speaking fest under the leadership of President Louise Pressgrove of the "WAGS." President W. S. Harris responded for the Men's Club. Judge and Mrs. Goodwyn were honored guests.

Mr. C. C. Fairchild and Mr. Jerome Galvin, past masters of the art, discussed "The Value of Public Speaking."

(RSH)



## FOUR MEMBERS OF ONE FAMILY IN ARMY

George Armacost of the Appraisal Subdivision of Land Bank has 4 sons in the army. Oldest son, George, Jr., age 28, was inducted in March and is stationed at Fort Devins, Massachusetts. His 5' 11" and 180 pounds with a background of 3 years as varsity boxer readily explains his position in the Military Police Corps.

First Lieutenant Rowland Armacost of the Air Corps, age 26, (and eligible) is stationed at Wilmington, Delaware, from which point he flies 4-motored transport fortresses across the country. His 4 years of ROTC in Maryland immediately earned him his first lieutenant rank when he transferred to the Air Corps. Among other accomplishments, he had been golf pro at the Camp Meade Officers' Golf Course.

Son-in-law Snyder Smith, age 24, was inducted in April and is training for the Air Corps in St. Petersburg, Florida. His wife has resigned her position in Baltimore and will join her parents in Kansas City shortly.

After a taste of radio work in St. Petersburg, Florida, Private First Class John Armacost, age 19, is now studying accounting and administration at Sam Houston Teachers' College in Texas.

All the boys are very pleased and happy with their work. There is a fine spirit of honor and service in the Armacost family which prompts even young Jimmie, age 13, to exclaim disappointedly, "Just my tough luck that I'm not 18." (LS)

### WORD FROM FORMER EMPLOYEE

I disliked very much having to sever my connection with Farm Credit for as an organization it is hard to beat, and I enjoyed my stay in Kansas City very much. I am now connected with Civil Aeronautics, and instead of taking care of farmers, I am dealing with airmen and finding it very interesting. - Helen McAuliffe.

# Sportlight



## GOLF

The ninth annual Farm Credit Club Match Play Tournament gets under way this week. A chart of the pairings for the first round is posted on the bulletin board in the south lobby and as the tournament progresses the names of the winners of each match will be posted to the chart.

A consolation tournament will be arranged for the entrants who are eliminated in the first round.

### KNOW-YOUR-KANSAS CITY TRIP NO. 5

On Sunday, May 30, Farm Credit Club hikers will visit Unity Farm, which is located 16 miles southeast of Kansas City on Highway No. 50. The farm contains 1300 acres including orchard, vineyard, greenhouse, plant nursery, vegetable garden, chicken houses, flour mill, dairy, cider mill, saw mill, rock quarry, and rock crusher. Other points of interest that we shall visit are the campanile, golf course, tennis courts, hotel, swimming pool, amphitheater, and terrace tea room.

Bring midday lunch, including something to drink and something to roast over an open fire. Wear hiking clothes and low-heel shoes, as the going may be rough in spots.

Buses of the Holden-Kansas City line will leave at 9 a.m. from the bus depot at 917 McGee Street and will return at 5:30. Round trip fare is 75 cents. In order that ample transportation may be provided, those planning to take this trip should telephone Miss Quimby, extension 338, before noon on Friday, May 28. (PLR)

## QUIZ OF TWO CITIES

One hundred fifty-two employees took the FCA elimination quiz May 15 in the process of selecting those who will represent the central office in radio station WDAF's "Quiz of Two Cities" soon. Further elimination by the studio will reduce the group to 4 finalists who will compete with the St. Louis FCA over the airways.

## BLOOD DONORS NEEDED

Employees who donated blood at the Red Cross Center during Farm Credit Week, March 15 - 20, are reminded that second donations may be made 8 weeks after the first. Because Kansas City is failing to meet its quota of 2,500 pints a week, the Center is now remaining open until 8:15 p.m. 4 nights a week - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

New donors are especially needed. Appointments may be made by calling the Blood Donor Center, Harrison 2341, or Miss Gimby, extension 338.

## LAST CALL FOR HOBBY SHOW EXHIBITS

Next Tuesday and Wednesday, May 25 and 26 the Farm Credit Club will hold its Second Hobby Show in Room 2203. The exhibits will be open to the public during two periods of each day, 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Admission is free.

Already 103 exhibitors have promised to show 167 exhibits and there are more to come. Some of the recent entries include a miniature zoo of 70 animals from all parts of the world, hand painted Christmas cards, picture plates hand painted by a club member, salt and pepper shakers, antique glass goblets, a miniature conductor's score of Schubert's Unfinished Symphony, miniature houses, examples of Javanese buddhas, a perfect scale model of a New York Central freight train with all details made on a 1/8 inch scale, interesting postal covers, an old land survey and deeds.

The Hobby Show Committee urges employees to submit snapshots, particularly snapshots of their children. Be sure to enter them today; call Mr. Ritter, Ext. 36.

Also, FCA horticulturists are invited to enter flowers. More entries are needed for this group. If you have any flowers now in bloom, please enter them. Call Maude Freeman, Ext. 109; she will tell you when to bring them.

Everybody has at least one thing in his home which will be of interest to fellow employees. Enter your exhibit today. Even if it is only an old paint box it will add some color to the show. Entries will be accepted up to 6 p.m. Monday, May 24.

Don't forget the prizes and your chance to vote for the winners. The Judges of Election are Paul Rapp, Jennie Ash, and J. M. Selby. (LGS)

## HOBBY SHOW

There was a young girl from the Farm Credit Club

Whose hobby was fancy designs in crocheting.

She started out brightly one morning in May

With a bundle of work she intended displaying.

But the jolting around as she rode on the bus

Broke the string, and she walked on unknowing.

'Til a gentleman passed her, and tipping his hat, said

"Pardon me, Lady, your hobby is showing!"  
(DEW)

## ATTENTION HOME CANNERS!

The Victory Garden Committee has prepared a release containing important information regarding the procurement of pressure cookers together with some tips on home canning, and a list of useful references.

Copies of the release will be available at the reception desk in the Fourteenth Street lobby. (REK)